

# Speaker Bios



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**Ted D. Adams, PhD, MPH**

*Program Director, Fitness Institute at LDS Hospital  
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Doctorate in exercise physiology. Post-doctorate fellowship in pediatric cardiology (University of Utah School of Medicine). Program director of the LDS Hospital's Fitness Institute for 19 years. Adjunct professor (University of Utah) in the Departments of Family and Preventive Medicine, Exercise and Sports Medicine, and Physical Therapy. Research interests include the genetics of obesity and clinical preventive services guidelines.

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**Mohammad N. Akhter, MD, MPH**

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Dr. Mohammad Akhter (pronounced "actor") is executive director of the American Public Health Association, the oldest and largest organization of public health professionals in the world. Prior to joining APHA, Dr. Akhter was a senior advisor at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Akhter is a physician with Board Certification in preventive medicine and is a clinical professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at Georgetown University Medical School in Washington, D.C. Dr. Akhter served in many public health leadership positions including the director of the Missouri State Department of Health and as Health Commissioner in the nation's capitol. He is now guiding the association by strengthening its scientific base and enhancing its advocacy role to protect the health of the American people in the 21st century.

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**D. Edgar (Ed) Allen, MD, PC**

*Dermatologist, Private Practice in the Ogden area  
Associate Clinical Professor, University of*

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Born in Ogden, Utah; Married to the former Patricia More - have 6 children; Education: BA- Weber State College; MD-University of Utah; Medical Internship-Duke University; Dermatology Residency-Duke University; Board Certified in Dermatology and Dermatopathology

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**Craig Allred**

*Director, Utah Highway Safety  
Utah Highway Safety Office*

Craig joined the Utah Highway Patrol in 1976. He has served in the Commercial Vehicle Unit, Field Operations, Executive Protection, and Training Sections of the Highway Patrol. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1986, and has served as a Lieutenant since 1990.

Craig spent two years, 1990-1992, in Washington D. C., on loan from the Department of Public Safety, Highway Patrol. He worked with the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) office. He was the national coordinator of "COPPS" later changed to "Operation Buckle Down". Lt. Allred started this program in two states, which later increased to 37 states and territories. He has coordinated specialized programs, videos, and instructional materials to promote seat belt and child restraint usage.

Lt. Allred is an instructor for the Traffic Safety Institute (TSI), the Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN), and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). Craig helped develop several policies for the IACP, and wrote a monthly newsletter published by the IACP. He has been active in highway safety issues, especially safety restraints, for the past six years.

Craig graduated from Snyder High School, Snyder, Texas. He has attended Ricks College, Westminster College, Salt Lake Community College; and is currently working to complete A Bachelors

Degree at Weber State University.

Lt. Allred has been the Director of the Utah Highway Safety Office since February 1993. He currently serves as the Chair of the National Association of Governor's Highway Safety Representatives (NAGHSR), Occupant Protection Committee, and a member of the Board of Directors.

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**Sandra Assasnik**

*Associate Bureau Director  
Bureau of Primary Care and Rural Health Systems, Utah Department of Health*

Graduate School in Medical Anthropology. Current responsibilities include health professions shortage designations; health professions loan repayment and scholarship programs; retention and recruitment of health care providers; State-20 J-1 visa waiver program; small grant writing assistance program; Primary Care Needs Assessment; Quarterly Intelligence Reports to federal Bureau of Primary Health Care; Continuation Grants (Cooperative Agreement, State Loan Repayment Program, and State Office of Rural Health).

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**Joan H. Baldwin, DNSc, RN**

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Doctorate of Nursing Science (DNSc) from the Catholic University of America, Washington, DC; Master of Science in Family Health Nursing, University of San Diego, San Diego, Ca.; Master of Arts in Guidance and Counseling in Education, Hampton Institute, Hampton, VA. Dr. Baldwin has been Clinical Director for Group Health in Washington, DC; Director of Nursing at State Hospital South (psychiatric hospital), Blackfoot, ID; Clinical Supervisor - Home Health: has taught at 6 universities across the country in community health nursing, etc.



## **Carolyn Benallyson**

*Admissions Advisor  
Salt Lake Community College  
Skills Center*

Ms. Benallyson currently serves as an Admissions Advisor at the Salt Lake Community College Skills Center in Salt Lake City. She has previously worked as a Vocational Counselor at the Ogden-Weber Applied Technology Center in Ogden and at other community based programs throughout Utah. Ms. Benallyson received her Baccalaureate in Science from the University of Utah majoring in Family and Child Development, and completed her MSW from the U of U. She has served as a member of various committees throughout the Salt Lake Valley for Native American interests and concerns (i.e. Indian Child Welfare Act, voter registration, cultural consulting, etc.) She has worked with people of all ethnic backgrounds and experiences in both Native American settings as well as non-Native settings. She has served on the Ethnic Health Advisory Committee, the Ethnic Mental Health Committee and the Health Policy Commission's Technical Advisory Group for Special Populations and the Rural Health Grants/Proposals Advisory Committee.

## **Officer Dale E. Bowker**

*Police Officer  
Layton City Police Department*

Officer Dale E. Bowker has been a police officer with Layton City since October 1987. From August 1994 to September 1997 he worked in the Community Policing Division. During that time he organized neighborhood watch groups and gave various presentations on personal safety and crime prevention. He also worked extensively in preventing the underaged sale of alcohol and tobacco to youth. In June 1995, Officer Bowker became a D.A.R.E. Officer and teaches the program in addition to his other duties with the department. He has been recognized previously as D.A.R.E. Officer of the Year by the Alcohol Coalition for his efforts in preventing sales to underaged youth. Currently he is working to become a D.A.R.E. Mentor where he will train other police officers to become D.A.R.E.

Certified.

## **Charles D. Brokopp, DPH**

*Director, Division of Epidemiology and Laboratory Services, Utah Department of Health  
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Dr. Brokopp is Director of the Division of Epidemiology and Laboratory services, Utah Department of Health. Prior to coming to Utah, he was an assistant administrator of the Oregon Health Division for four years, and state epidemiologist and public health laboratory director for the Idaho Health Division for 13 years. He has degrees from the University of Wisconsin and the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. His years of experience in public health have primarily been at the state level in Wisconsin, Idaho, Oregon and now Utah. He has worked closely with staff of many public health programs at the federal, state and local level. He has served as a public health consultant for the World Bank and World Health Organization on projects in Nigeria and India. He has been active in the Oregon and Idaho Public Health Associations and served as legislative chair and president of the Idaho Public Health Association and delegate to APHA.

## **Richard C. Bullough, PhD**

*Director, Quality and Health Improvement  
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Dr. Bullough currently serves as Director of Quality and Health Improvement for United Healthcare of Utah in Salt Lake City. He has been employed at United Healthcare since 1995. He also holds an adjunct faculty position in the Division of Nutrition at the University of Utah. Prior to his employment with United Healthcare of Utah, he was a National Institutes of Health research fellow at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Denver. He received his PhD and MS degrees from Colorado State University. While at Colorado State he managed the Human Metabolism Laboratory and the Student Wellness Programs.

## **Tim Butler, MS, CHES, MCP**

*Manager, Health Promotion Services  
IHC Health Plans*

Mr. Butler began his career in health care field at LDS Hospital in 1974. He has worked in the areas of patient education, rehabilitation and wellness related areas for 25 years. He currently serves as the Manager of Health Promotion Services for IHC Health Plans. He is in the process of developing and implementing a comprehensive worksite health promotion programs and integrating health promotion and prevention services into IHC insurance products.

## **Frances D. Butterfoss, PhD**

*Public Health Educator and Associate Professor  
Center for Pediatric Research*

Dr. Butterfoss received her B.S. degree in Nursing, her M.S. degree in Education, and her Ph.D. in Health Promotion and Education. Dr. Butterfoss is a nationally recognized expert and consultant on the development, maintenance, and evaluation of coalitions for health promotion and disease prevention, including tobacco control, immunizations, alcohol and other drug abuse, nutrition, and breast and cervical cancer.

## **Yeou-Lan Chen, PhD**

*Professor of Nursing  
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Yeou-Lan Duh Chen, PhD, RN, is a Professor at Westminster College School of Nursing in SLC, UT. She teaches "Nursing Research", "Traditional Chinese Medicine", "Community Health Nursing", "Complementary Healing Practices", "Chinese Philosophy, Culture and Medicine", and "Nursing Theory" to students on the graduate and undergraduate level. Dr. Chen is interested in complementary healing practices (especially traditional Chinese medicine), transcultural health care, healthy aging, and women's health. She has conducted research and published articles and books related to the above topics. Her most recent publication is a nursing theory which she developed to describe and explain Chinese American elders' health promotion and illness prevention processes. The theory is entitled "Conformity with Nature" and is based on traditional Chinese philosophy, culture and medicine.



## Tim M. Cosgrove

*Child Advocacy Specialist  
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Tim M. Cosgrove is a Child Advocate at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City. Primary Children's is the pediatric referral center for the Intermountain area and has taken on the responsibility of serving as an advocate on children's health and safety issues. Originally born and raised in Utah, Tim received his bachelor's of science degree in political science from Weber State University in 1992. In 1995 he received his master's degree in issue and campaign management from George Washington University in Washington D.C.

Tim has worked on state and federal legislation and building grass roots advocacy groups in Washington D.C., Nevada, North Carolina, Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska and now Utah. He is currently working on a variety of children's issues including child car seat safety, gun safety, child abuse prevention, a Primary Seat Belt bill, and a Child Abuse Protection bill. He is a member of the Utah Safe Kids Coalition, serves on the Utah Kids Coalition Advisory Committee, as a board member for the Utah Association for the Education of Young Children, and serves on the Utah Child Fatality Review Committee.

## Wayne Cottam, DDS

*Dental Director, Central City Community Health Center*

Dr. Cottam is a practicing dentist and an advocate for the underserved communities in the state. Through the Community Health Center, He provides oral health care to those without dental insurance and no other resources for oral health care. He is an active member of the Salt Lake County Oral Health Task Force

## Dr. Samuel Diansongi

*Member, Ethnic Health Advisory Committee*

Dr. Diansongi received his degree as a Medical Doctor from the University of Lubumbashi in Zaire. He became a specialist in Psychiatry from the University of Kinshasa in Zaire. He received a

scholarship of the Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium) for studies on the anthropology of the body. He served as Locum Medical Doctor in Internal medicine at the Raleigh-Fitkin Memorial Hospital in Manzini, Swaziland. His professional memberships include the Zairean Medical and Dental Council, the Zairean Neuropsychiatrist Association, and the Swaziland Medical and Dental Council.

## Nancy W. Dickey, MD

*President  
American Medical Association*

Nancy W. Dickey, MD, a board-certified family physician from College Station, Texas was elected President-Elect of the American Medical Association in June 1997 and assumed the role of President in June of 1998. Prior to her election, Dr. Dickey served as Chair of the Board of Trustees from November 1995 to June 1997, and as its Vice Chair from 1994 to 1995. Elected to the AMA Board of Trustees in 1989, she served as Secretary-Treasurer of the AMA from 1993-1994 and as a member of the Board's Executive Committee since 1991. Dr. Dickey is the program director for the Brazos Valley Family Practice Program associated with the Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. Dr. Dickey chaired the AMA's Ad Hoc Technical Advisory Committee on Health System Reform from 1993 to 1994. She chaired the Finance Committee from 1992 to 1994 and served as a member of the Board's Subcommittee on Membership from 1993 to 1994. She served as an AMA commissioner for the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) from 1989 through 1995, including service on the Accreditation Committee, the Standards-Survey Procedures Committee and the Task Force for Psychiatric Facilities. Prior to Dr. Dickey's election to the Board, she served as a member of the AMA Ad Hoc Committee on Women in Organized Medicine from 1979 to 1980. She also served as a member of the AMA Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs from 1980 to 1989 and as its Chair from 1984 to 1987. She is Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians and has served as Vice President of the Texas Medical Association from 1986 to

1987 and as Delegate to the Texas Medical Association from Fort Bend County Medical Association from 1984 to 1989.

A graduate from the Stephen F. Austin State University, she received her medical training at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston, where she was a recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award. She has served as a reviewer for the Journal of the American Medical Association and on the editorial advisory boards of Patient Care, Medical World News and Medical Ethics Advisor. She currently serves on the editorial board of Archives of Family Medicine. Dr. Dickey has taken an active role in various community activities including coaching in a youth soccer league from 1986 to 1988 as a sponsor for the United Methodist Youth Fellowship from 1991 to 1995. She has served as a member on the Boards of Directors of the Hasting Center, the Office of Early Childhood Development, and the local chapter of the American Heart Association. She is a member of the Christ United Methodist Church in College Station.

Dr. Dickey and her husband (Champ), have three children, Danielle, Wilson, and Elizabeth.

## Randy Fisher

*Director, Office of Information Technology  
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Since October 1998 - Director of the Office of Information Technology for the Utah Department of Health. Prior to that was Manager for Data Security and Information Technology Planning for the Department of Health. 1995 - Assigned as Department of Health Year 2000 Coordinator responsible for ensuring all hardware, software programs and embedded systems are Y2K compliant. Currently serve on State Y2K Coordinators Committee and Governor's Y2K Coalition Committee. Also a member of Utah Y2K Users Group. Mr. Fisher has worked for the State of Utah 19 years in several different capacities including State Archives Records Manager and State Administrative Rules Coordinator.





## **C. Michael Fitzgerald, DDS, MPH**

*State Dental Director  
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## **Dawn Fitzpatrick, CHES**

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Dawn began the National Service on SBS in 1997. She is a nationally recognized expert on SBS. Dawn earned her degree in Health Administration/Community Health from Weber State University. She is currently an instructor for the University of Utah and is current president of the Health Education Association of Utah. Dawn also has had experience in tobacco prevention education and cessation and is a past chair of the Coalition for a Tobacco Free Utah.

## **Joyce Gaufin, BS**

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Quality and Productivity Consultant, Division of Health Care Financing, Utah Department of Health. Graduated Summa Cum Laude from Westminster College, SLC, with a major in Sociology. Immediate Past President, Utah Public Health Association. Vice-Chairperson, Utah Health Care Professions/Public Health Initiative. Ms. Gaufin has been employed by the Utah Department of Health for over 25 years serving in the Office of Administrative Services, the Division of Community Health Services, and currently in the Division of Health Care Financing. As Quality and Productivity Consultant for DHCF, she provides direction and consultation to Division management and employees on quality improvement strategies, management and leadership, and employee organization development. Ms. Gaufin has served the Utah Public Health Association in many capacities for over 20 years. She received the UPHA Beatty Award in 1994, and a Presidential Citation from the Utah Medical Association in 1998. Ms. Gaufin is a member of the American Public Health Association and the American Society for

Training and Development.

## **Dean Gillam**

*Olympic Coordinator  
U.S. EPA, Region 8*

Dean Gillam currently serves as the EPA Olympics Coordinator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 in Denver Colorado. Previously, he spent ten years as the Unit Leader of the Air Technical Assistance Unit and had responsibility for air permitting, air toxics and air monitoring. Dean has been with the EPA for 27 years in solid waste, pesticides, toxic substances and air programs and he worked as an epidemiologist with the U. S. Public Health Service. He has a Bachelors Degree in Mathematics and a Masters Degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of Utah. He is a Commissioned Officer of the U. S. Public Health Service. In his current role Dean participates in environmental initiatives related to the staging of the 2002 Utah Winter Olympics. He works closely with the Utah Department of Environmental Quality and the Utah Environmental and Public Health Alliance, as well as the Salt Lake Organizing Committee to assure that the environment is being safeguarded during the preparations for and execution of the Games.

## **Catherine N. Glenn, BS**

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Catherine Glenn is the marketing and public relations specialist for the UDOH's Cardiovascular Program. She graduated from the University of Utah in 1996 with a BS in Communications, emphasizing public relations. Past employment includes work for the advertising agency FJanN. She is a member of the Utah Advertising Federation. Ms. Glenn was the 1998 President of the 5 a Day Association of Utah, and is very involved in the promotional and event planning aspects of 5 a Day. She has received two national gold and one silver awards for excellent media kit design and campaign planning from the National Public Health Information Coalition. Ms. Glenn is involved in working with the American Heart Association in promoting heart

health, is a member of the American Heart Association's Grassroots Advocacy Board, and a member of the Utah Eat Smart/Move Smart Coalition.

## **Irina Grabovsky, M.S.**

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MS Mathematics, PhD candidate in Mathematics with specialization in Statistics. Irina is an Applications Programmer Analyst at the Office of Health Data Analysis (HDA). In addition to her statistical and programming responsibilities with HDA, Irina provides programming support for the Maternal and Child Health Indicators Internet Modules (MatCHIIM).

## **Leonard C. Hawes, PhD**

*Director, Alternative Dispute Resolution Program  
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Leonard was born in Arizona in 1944 and was raised in a small town in Minnesota from early childhood. His father was a blacksmith and his mother was a school teacher. He has one younger brother. He has taught on the faculties at the University of Minnesota, where he received his PhD in 1970, at The Ohio State University, where he was Director of the Organizational Communication Research Institute, at The Pennsylvania State University, and since 1980 he has been Professor of Communication at the University of Utah. Leonard served as Director of Graduate Studies at the University of Utah, was the co-founder, and is currently the Executive Director of the Conflict Resolution Certificate Program in the Communication Institute in the Department of Communication at the University of Utah. In addition to teaching and researching conflict resolution and facilitation, Leonard facilitates governmental and public policy meetings and hearings. Most recently, he facilitated eight tourism and land use public policy meetings throughout the state of Utah for the Travel Council and Governor's office. He has consulted for and trained at 3M, IBM, Honeywell, Digital Equipment, GTE,



Piper Jaffrey, and Jostens Learning, as well as various county and state governmental agencies.

He is the author of a book on research methods, and more than 40 articles on communications and conflict and dispute resolution, facilitation, dialogue and decision-making.

He and his wife and partner, Michelle, who is the Program Director for the Conflict Resolution Certificate Program, live with their four boys, three dogs, and other assorted pets, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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## **Steven R. Hawkes, EdD**

*Associate Professor  
Utah State University Extension*

Dr. Steven R. Hawks is currently a Regional Department Head for Utah State University Extension. He is an associate professor of health education in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department at USU where he served as the curriculum coordinator for six years. He is a successful grant writer and author, and has many years of experience teaching courses in health planning and evaluation.

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## **Dr. Robert Hueffner**

*Professor of Political Science  
Governor Scott M. Matheson Center for  
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Robert P. Huefner directs the University of Utah's Governor Scott M. Matheson Center for Health Care Studies. He previously developed the University's master degree in public administration. His publications address public finance and budgeting, policy and administrative roles of elected leadership, and health policy. Before joining the University of Utah faculty, he worked in city, county, state and federal governments, being on the personal staffs of Utah Governors Clyde Rampton and of U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Fowler. He was a member of the Commission on the Operation of the U.S. Senate, and other local, state, and national committees concerned with planning, budgeting, finance, administrative organization and health.

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## **Tom Jackson, MBA**

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Tom Jackson, MBA, is the Utah Operations Director at HealthInsight, a non-profit community resource for health care improvement. He is responsible for overseeing Utah and Nevada quality improvement projects funded by the Health Care Financing Administration. He received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Stephen F. Austin State University in Nachogdoches, TX.

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## **Marvin James**

*Counselor  
Salt Lake County Aging Services*

Marvin James was born on an Army base in Minnesota in 1951. He learned at an early age there was no getting ill or trying to state home from school as his mother served as the Base nurse and part-time school teacher. Mr. James has served in the military in Air Force Search and Rescue and later as a Navy Seal. He graduated from the University of Missouri with a BA in Behavioral Science upon his discharge from the service. He and his family moved to Utah in 1980 where Mr. James worked in the detox center at Salt Lake County. When the center closed its doors in 1986, Mr. James was transferred to Aging Services where he has worked since. He has been a members of the Ethnic Health Committee since 1991, active with the Urban League, 100 Brothers, past member of the NAACP, and the Post Polio Group.

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## **Steve Jenkins**

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Steve Jenkins graduated from Weber State University, with a BS in Microbiology, and received his Masters Degree in Public Health from Loma Linda University. He has been employed with Summit County since 1969. He is currently the Health Director for Summit County. Steve has served as CLEHA Chair, UEHA President, Utah Association of Health Officers President, and National Environmental Health Regional Vice President. He currently serves on the Utah Drinking Water Board for the Utah State Department of Environmental Quality, Chair Environmental Health Licensing Board, Chair Environmental

Public Health Alliance, and also serves on the North Summit School District.

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## **Doug Kirby**

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BS from BYU in Microbiology, MS from the University of Washington in Environmental Health Science. Two years with the Tooele County Health Department as an Environmental Health Scientist. Eight years experience in the Hazardous Waste Industry including two years as the Air Compliance Manager at the largest hazardous waste incinerator in North America. Two years with the Utah Department of Health as the 'Web Master' for the Division of Epidemiology and Laboratory Services and currently focusing on web enabling department data sets. Received the Gerald Storey Memorial Award and Presidents Award from the Utah Environmental Health Association and served as President of the UEHA. Currently serving on the UEHA Technical Committee and as the UEHA Newsletter Editor.

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## **Pat Knell**

*Licensed Environmental Health Specialist  
Salt Lake City-County Health Department  
Environmental Health Sanitation & Safety*

Pat Knell is a Licensed Environmental Health Specialist with the Salt Lake City-County Health Department. She has been an employee of the SLC-County Health Dept. for 26 years and has worked for the Bureau of Sanitation and Safety in Environmental Health for the past 14 years. She is the Program Manager for the Clandestine Drug Lab Response Team and developed the first in-state Health Department response effort in working with the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and local law enforcement agencies. She is the only health inspector that has been fully trained and certified by the DEA. She has two other Lab Responder health inspectors whom she trains and supervises, providing 24 hour, 7 day a week responsibility to respond to meth labs. This effort has been beneficial in closing and cleaning many contaminated sites throughout Salt Lake County. Although no part of her assigned duties, Pat has



attended the Utah Peace Officers Standards and Training Academy, more commonly known as POST. She has worked part-time as a Category 2 Peace Officer.

Pat's primary job is to respond to public complaints involving concerns with health and sanitation issues. In 1995 Pat became the first health inspector to be part of the Salt Lake Community Action Team (CAT) process and continues to serve as the designated representation for a variety of health issues on one of the five CAT teams.

Pat also participates in the Zoonosis Program for the Salt Lake City-County Health Department. This program informs and educates the public on diseases that are contracted by man from various animals.

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### **Kingi Langi, MD**

*Private Physician*

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### **Barbara Larsen, MPH, RD**

*Program Manager, Diabetes Control Program, Utah Department of Health*

Barbara Larsen, MPH, RD (Program Manager, Diabetes Control Program), is responsible for managing the Utah Department of Health's diabetes control program, including budgeting, supervising, and developing and evaluating the program's annual plan. She has a master's degree in public health and has received a diploma in general dietetics training.

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### **Trent Lempere**

*Research Analyst*

Research Analyst for the MatCHIM Project at the Division of Community and Family Health Services, has been accepted as a graduate student on the Master of Public Health program at the University of Utah this fall.

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Jeni received her BS in Health Education from the University of Utah. Currently she works for the State of Utah in the Healthy Utah Program as a Community Health Specialist. In this position she has had a great deal of experience in giving

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### **Jeni Libin, BS, CHES**

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Jeni received her BS in Health Education from the University of Utah. Currently she works for the State of Utah in the Healthy Utah Program as a Community Health Specialist. In this position she has had a great deal of experience in giving stress management and other wellness presentations.

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### **John Librett, MPH**

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John Librett has a Bachelors degree in Psychology, a Bachelors degree in Behavioral Science & Health, a Masters in Public Health, and is currently working on his PhD in Health Promotion and Education. He began working with Geographic Information Systems in 1998. His latest paper, "Proximity Analysis of Tobacco Sales Within Drug Free School Zones" won a national award. John is currently the Editor-in-Chief of "Utah's Health: An Annual Review"; Editor-in-Chief elect for the Research Journal of the University of Utah School of Health Sciences, and is a reviewer for the "American Journal of Public Health" and the "Journal for Adolescent Medicine".

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### **Michael Magill, MD**

*Professor and Chairman  
Department of Family & Preventive Medicine*

University of Utah School of Medicine  
Michael K. Magill, MD, is Professor and Chairman, Department of Family and Preventive Medicine, University of Utah School of Medicine. He is Director of the Utah Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) Program.

Prior to his faculty position at the U of U, Dr. Magill was Senior Vice President for Medical Education and Outreach at Tallahassee Memorial Regional Medical Center, Florida. Other former appointments include Director of the Family Practice Residency Program at

Tallahassee Memorial Regional Medical Center and on faculty in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine, Tucson.

Dr. Magill has a national reputation as a leader in the discipline of family medicine. He is well known for his work and skills in educational methodologies, clinical behavioral sciences, and practice development. He has served on several national committees pertinent to family medicine education. He also serves as Associate Editor for "Family Medicine, Journal of the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine".

Dr. Magill has been involved with AHEC throughout his career. He trained at AHEC sites while in medical school in North Carolina. He was in Arizona during the startup of the state's AHEC program. In Florida, he was responsible for startup of the first center associated with the new University of Florida AHEC. He came to Utah in 1994 specifically to start the Utah AHEC.

He graduated Summa Cum Laude with High Honors in Psychology from Dartmouth College and received his Doctor of Medicine at Duke University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in the Duke-Watts Family Practice Program.

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### **Aida Mattingley**

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Ms. Mattingley is a full-time Librarian-Teacher at the Genealogical Library of Utah. She received her BS in Education from The University of Santo Tomas. She has studied at the Masters level at BYU and the University of Utah. She has been Chair of the Board of Trustees and Director, Filipino Performing Arts of Utah, two-term appointee for the West Valley Arts Council, Chair, and the SLC-Quezon City Sister Cities Committee. She has also been a news correspondent for Philippine News California based national newspaper; member of the Thomasian USA, a California based organization supporting less fortunate children in the Philippines and the Promising Fil-am students in the US. She has lobbied for the Utah Asian Americans for welfare reform, the arts, funding for the ethnic health special pop-





ulation survey; helps community members with the judicial system, INS and UADD. She is the first Filipina to receive the "Utah Centennial Asian American Leadership Awards, and the Governor's Leadership Award.

### **Beverly J. May, BS**

*Prevention Program Manager  
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Ms. May received a bachelors degree in community health education and was awarded 1996 "Outstanding Major in Health Education," and currently is completing her Master of Public Administration at the University of Utah. She has 16 years experience in the area of health, planning, implementing, marketing, public relations and public speaking. Her main area of focus is adolescent health issues.

Ms. May currently serves as the Director of Prevention Program for the Robert Wood Johnson "Smokeless States" Project. She administers and gives technical assistance for the sixteen anti-tobacco mini grants throughout the state of Utah. She also serves as Director of Grassroots Advocacy for the American Cancer Society and maintains a grassroots advocacy network statewide. Ms. May is also a member of the PTA Health Commission and the USAAV Prevention Committee, and serves as a board member on the Homeless Youth Resource Center and the Westminster College Foundation Board.

### **Michael Melendez, MD**

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Dr. Melendez is a private consulting radiologist. He received his BS and MD from the University of Utah. He completed an internship in Internal Medicine and his residency in Diagnostic radiology. He is a Diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners and a member of the American Board of Radiology.

Previously, Dr. Melendez served as staff Radiologist at the FHP/Paracelsus Hospital, and as Corporate Chief of Radiology for FHP, Inc.

Dr. Melendez has received numerous honors including Student Body President at the U of U College of Medicine; and Hispanic of the year in Health/Medicine for Utah (1976). Dr. Melendez is active in

community affairs serving on the U of U Health Sciences Diversity Advisory Board; Volunteer for the Good Samaritan Program at the Cathedral of the Madeline; President of the Board of Trustees, Centro de la Familia. Dr. Melendez is a member of the Salt Lake County Medical Society, the Utah Medical Association, the Radiologic Society of North American, the Utah State Radiology Society and the American College of Radiology.

### **Jennifer A. Morgan, RN, BSN**

*Salt Lake City-County Health Department*  
Ms. Jennifer A. Morgan is a Public Health Nurse with FACT (Families, Agencies & Communities Together), a project of the Salt Lake City-County Health Department. Through FACT, Ms. Morgan provides public health nursing services to families and school children in Salt Lake City's under-served "west side" area. Her days as a FACT nurse include episodic care (mending the inevitable bumps and bruises of school-yard play), administering fluoride and other oral health care, and working with school teachers and principals to improve care for children. Ms. Morgan often conducts home visits to assess the health needs of families. She works with teachers to identify children with health needs. Ms. Morgan visits the family and makes appropriate referrals to health care providers. Ms. Morgan began college study at the College of Eastern Utah while attending high school in Price, Utah. She completed her undergraduate work at the University of Utah, where she was named to the Golden Key National Honor Society in Nursing in June 1996, and was certified as a Registered Nurse (R.N.) by the State of Utah that month. After a brief period at the Kennecott industrial clinic in Magna, Ms. Morgan was appointed as a FACT nurse in October 1996.

### **Craig R. Nichols**

*Director, Bureau of Epidemiology  
Utah Department of Health  
Division of Epidemiology and Laboratory Services*

Craig R. Nichols has been employed by the Utah Department of Health since 1973 and presently serves as Director of the Bureau of Epidemiology and State

Epidemiologist; he has held both positions since 1984. Other positions include Director of the Bureau of Communicable Disease Control (1980-1984), Public Health Epidemiologist (1977-1979), State Immunization Program Coordinator (1976-1977), and Disease Investigator (1973-1976).

He attended the University of Utah and received a B.S. degree in Biology and Chemistry (1973), did graduate work in epidemiology at the University of Minnesota (1975), and obtained a Masters degree in Public Administration from Brigham Young University (1979).

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Some of his recent publications and professional papers have dealt with Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome, Distribution and Prevalence of Sin Nombre Virus Within the Major Biotic Communities in the Southwestern United States, Salmonella Enteritidis phage type 4 in Utah, Human Plague, Measles and an Outbreak of Vibrio parahaemolyticus Infections Associated with Eating Raw Oysters.

### **Cynthia O'Neill Conger, PhD, RN**

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Brigham Young University  
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Dr. Cynthia O'Neill Conger received her Baccalaureate Degree from San Jose University, and a Masters in Nursing Administration and a Ph.D. in Transcultural Nursing from the University of Utah. Cindy has taught at Brigham Young University since 1985 in both the baccalaureate and masters program, focusing primarily on Community Health Nursing, Home Health, Community Assessment, Transcultural nursing, and Health Policy. She currently serves as the Vice President of the Utah Public Health Association and member of the Salt Lake County Environmental Advisory Commission.

### **Luis Paita, Ph.D.**

*Director, Office of Health Data Analysis,  
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Ph.D. in Sociology with specialization in Demography and Applied Statistics, and Master in Applied Statistics. Director of Research and Acting Director of the Office of Health Data Analysis, Utah



Department of Health. The Office maintains the state's Hospital Discharge Data Base, Ambulatory Surgery Data Base, the Hospital Financial Database and the Emergency Department Database (in collaboration with Bureau of EMS). The Office's internet site features an interactive query system that allows access to the hospital inpatient discharge database, now containing six years of data.

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### **Rhonda Parker**

*Highway Safety Instructor/Child Car Seat Specialist, Utah Highway Safety*

Rhonda has worked for the Office of Utah Highway Safety for a year and half. She is a highway safety instructor and child car seat specialist. She educates instructors throughout the state on the proper uses of car seat safety, air bags and other traffic safety issues.

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### **Steve Ratcliffe, MD, MSPH**

*Family Practice Residency Program Director, Department of Family & Preventive Medicine, University of Utah*

Dr. Ratcliffe completed his medical school training at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. He completed a family practice residency at the University of Utah and subsequently a Masters of Science in Public Health at the same institution. He has practiced at the Northwest Community Health Center since 1982 and between 1985 and 1990 was Medical Director of the Community Health Center Systems in Salt Lake City. Since 1993 he has been the Family Practice Division Chief in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine and for the last nine months has been director of the Family Practice Residency. He is a clinical Associate Professor and has been active in writing and research in the perinatal arena.

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### **Kim Segal, MPH/HSA**

*Program Director, Governor Scott M. Matheson Center for Health Care Studies, U of U*

Ms. Segal's work focuses on research and education in health policy with particular issues related to health care quality, cost and access. Research areas include: access to care with special attention to uninsured, the underserved, and

Medicaid/Medicare populations, cost containment, financing of care and insurance, managed care, public health (particularly issues related to the impact of health care reform on public health, relationships between public and private health sectors, i.e. medicine), mental health, rural health, the importance and use of health data, health status indicators, and state and federal initiative in health care reform

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### **Darryl Snyder**

*Health Data Manager, Office of Public Health Data, UDOH, dsnyder@doh.state.ut.us*

Darryl graduated from Brigham Young University with a B.S. in statistics/actuarial science. He spent 2.5 years working as an actuary for CIGNA Property and Casualty in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Darryl currently works with the Office of Public Health Data as the Health Data Manager. Prior to his move to OPHD he worked as an Information Analyst with Bureau of Surveillance and analysis within the Office of Public health data for six years. During this time, he has worked on the development of online access to UDOH data through the ACTION-2000 Health Information System and the MatCHiim System.

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### **Ted H. Sonnenburg, REM**

*Solid & Hazardous Waste Specialist, Salt Lake City-County Health Dept., Bureau of Water Quality & Hazardous Waste*

Ted H. Sonnenburg is the Pollution Prevention Supervisor and Solid & Hazardous Waste Specialist for the Salt Lake City-County Health Department. He is responsible for developing and implementing their pollution prevention, used oil, processing facility, emergency response, and hazardous waste programs. Prior to joining the Health Department, Mr. Sonnenburg was employed by an environmental company as Site Manager of a soils regeneration site located adjacent to the Sale Lake Valley Landfill. He was responsible for the management of the facility staff as well as OSHA compliance and environmental monitoring and permitting. Ted graduated from the Colorado School of Mines with a Bachelor of Science degree in Geological Engineering.

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### **Jesse Soriano**

*Director, Ethnic Minority Affairs, U of U, Health Sciences Center*

Mr. Soriano is the Director of the University of Utah Health Sciences Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs, a position that he has held for the past five years. Before coming to Utah, Mr. Soriano was the State Director for Migrant and Bilingual Education in Michigan and also the National Director of the US Office of Bilingual Education in the US Department of Education. Having started as a bilingual teacher trainer in the 1960's, Jesse has continued his work in multi cultural training both in the private sector as well as in the public sector. More recently, he developed a Diversity Training Program for the University Office of Human Resources to train University staff and faculty.

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### **Sheryl N. Stuewe, CDA**

*UDOH, Bureau of Maternal-Child Health, Child, Adolescent Health Program*

Sheryl has 4 years with the department and prior to that served 6 years as a Dental Office Manager. She also was Director of Dental Assisting at the Bryman School

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### **Joan S. Thompson, Ph.D, RD, CD**

*Professor of Nutrition, Weber State University, JTHOMPSON8@WEBER.EDU*

Dr. Thompson received her B.S. from the University of California, Berkeley with a triple major of Food Science, Nutritional Science and Dietetics. She received her M.S. from the University of Arizona, Tucson in Agricultural Biochemistry and Nutrition. Her Master's project was "Zinc Supplementation in Head and Neck Cancer Patients during Radiation Therapy." Joan's doctorate was earned also at the U of A in Nutritional Sciences, and her research project was "Zinc Supplementation in Chronic Renal Failure Patients Requiring Hemodialysis." Dr. Thompson worked for Utah Department of Health analyzing pediatric data from Utah's WIC program for four years. During the last eleven years, Dr. Thompson has created a nutrition pro-





gram at Weber State University, and has had research interests in body image, nutraceuticals, sports nutrition and nutrition education.

### **Anthony C. Tidwell, DDS**

*Salt Lake City-County Board of Health*

Dr. Anthony C. Tidwell has served on the Salt Lake Board of Health for three and a half years. He also serves on the Utah Alliance of Local Boards of Health, as a representative for the Board of Health and as its president. He has been practicing dentistry in Holladay since 1985. He is involved in trying to bring fluoride to Utah's drinking water. Dr. Tidwell also keeps busy by serving on the community council and by being active in the scouting program. He and his wife Kathryn have four daughters. He enjoys wood carving, sculpting, and all sports. "I feel we as members of the Board of Health are involved in a great work. We really are making a difference in the quality of life in our communities."

### **Cynthia Terry**

*Nursing Student, BYU*

Cynthia is from Utah, is attending BYU and is in her Junior Year in the Nursing Program.

### **Sonja Wallace**

*Pollution Prevention Coordinator  
Utah Department of Environmental Quality*

Sonja Wallace's job responsibilities include working with businesses, communities and the general public to promote pollution prevention and recycling within the state. Sonja is currently focusing most of her time on preparation for the 2002 Olympic Games for DEQ. Sonja graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Health. Sonja has been with the Department for 10 years. Sonja also serves as a Board Member for the Utah Environmental Health Association.

### **Anna West, CHES**

*Sudden Infant Death Program Coordinator  
Utah Department of Health*

Anna West is the Sudden Infant Death Program Coordinator at the Utah Department of Health. Anna has B.S. and is completing her M.S. in Health

Education from Utah State University. She is a Certified Health Education Specialist (C.H.E.S.). Anna has worked with a variety of health issues and spoken to many diverse groups on topics including tobacco-free youth, diabetes, breast cancer, safety, and more recently Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).

### **Randy Williams**

*Solid & Hazardous Waste Specialist  
Salt Lake City-County Health Dept.  
Bureau of Water Quality & Hazardous Waste*

Randy Williams is the Lab Director/Water Quality Specialist for the Salt Lake City-County Health Department. He is responsible for completing Sanitary Surveys on water systems in Salt Lake County, handling water system complaints, and directing the lab. He has been active in the Ground Water Protection Coalition and the subsequent Ground Water Protection Ordinance passed by some of the cities within Salt Lake County. He worked in the lab for thirteen years as a Microbiologist and a Lab Supervisor before joining the Bureau of Water Quality and Hazardous Waste as a Water Quality Specialist four years ago. He has done water, food, and medical microbiology for the county as well as bulk asbestos analysis and asbestos building inspections. He has been a consultant for the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for the past ten years as a Technical Expert for assessing bulk asbestos laboratories. He was the 1998 season guest speaker for the University of Utah's Rocky Mountain Center for Environmental and Occupational Health (RMCOEH) Asbestos Inspector Refresher course. Prior to coming to the Salt Lake City-County Health Department he was a quality control microbiologist for Max Factor. He is a member of the Utah Environmental Health Association (UEHA), the American Water Works Association (AWWA), and the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA). He is a graduate of Weber State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Microbiology and a minor in chemistry.

### **Scott D. Williams, MD, MPH**

*Deputy Director  
Utah Department of Health*

Deputy Director of the Utah Department of Health. From 1993-1996 he served as the Director of the Division of Community and Family Health Services at UDOH and prior to that was a full-time faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Utah. His public health interests include improving health and education outcomes for children at risk through interagency collaboration, involving the private medical care system as partners with public health in improving the rates of compliance with recommended preventive health services, and improving the use of data and information system tools in public health policy development and management.

### **William P. Yellowtail, Jr**

*Regional Administrator  
U.S. EPA Region VIII*

Bill Yellowtail, a Crow Indian, is the first Native American and first non-Coloradoan to hold the post. A State Senator from 1984 to 1993, the Wyola, Montana rancher has served on Natural Resources, Fish and Game, Judiciary and Education Committees. He chaired the Montana Environmental Quality Council. Bill graduated from Dartmouth College in 1971 where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Environmental Studies.

As Regional Administrator, Bill directs the operations of more than 700 employees who carry out federal environmental programs dealing with air, water and land in Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming. He is the seventh person to hold the top Denver position since the Agency's creation in 1970. Five others have held it in an "acting" capacity.

In fiscal 1997, the region VIII had an operating budget of about \$235 million. More than half, approximately \$147 million, goes to States, Tribes, and communities in the form of assistance grants. Another \$45 million goes to "Superfund" hazardous waste cleanup programs, another \$5 million to oil spill and leaking underground storage tank work. Other operating programs such as air and water pollution receive \$37.5 million. Bill and his wife Margarette Carlson have one daughter, Kimberly Dawn Yellowtail.